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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 1, 2001, please extend the period of time for response one (1) month, to expire on October 1, 2001. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 1, 2001, applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-34, 41-44, and 48-53 drawn to a recombinant gene, for examination at this time.

In view of the above election, applicants hereby cancel claims 35-40, 45-47, and 54-55 without prejudice to the filing of any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application. Consideration of the elected claims is now requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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